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1. On 5 June 1950, the Czech Ministry of Industry received an order from the Commercial Attache of the USSR in Prague for the immediate production by the Czech rubber industry of 600 pieces of rubber packing, round interpo-lations (sic, probably parts), and other packing material for use in the con-struction of submarines; this order is to be completed by 30 September 1950.
2. A report on the beginning of such production is to be submitted to the Soviet Commercial Attache in Prague not later than 30 June 1950, and thereafter he is to be kept informed once monthly of the progress of production. The Ministry of Industry must be notified by the rubber industry of deliveries of parts and their shipments, and the ministry is then to contact the Soviet Commercial Attache, who will furnish instructions as to further shipments. The port of destination is Leningrad at the shipyards and the submarine base.
3. In a report dated 7 June 1950, the Soviet Commercial Attache was informed by the Ministry of Industry that the Czech rubber industry is experiencing a great scarcity of material for the production of rubber submarine parts. By a letter dated 12 June 1950, the Commercial Attache replied that the USSR is willing to supply 50 tons of raw rubber for such production. Thus, on 15 June, the Ministry of Industry instructed the Hakauf Rubber Works, National Corporation, at Hradec Kralove, to produce the ordered submarine parts.

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